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CHRISTIAN WORKERS OF NORTH AMERICA IN COUNCIL.

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE. PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

REPORTS, ADDRESSES, ETC.

A GRAND MEETING.

LIST OF DELEGATES.

SECOND DAY. Morning Session.

cillock the delegates and visitors beeat the Second Baptist church, was soon filled with deeplytic pants in a most delightful g, led by Rev. George A. Hall, In these meetings brief passages of Scripture, and specches were made, the songs ev sormud, and the prayers very and the general effect seemed very

was closed with a "Bible-Hev. Mr. Needham. He read cuons from the Scriptures, d them with pithy comments, pought of which was, "I can do ough Christ, which strengthen-We are utterly weak when we issives, but all-powerful when we the strength in our Almighty closed with an earnest and stration of the importance of maion with Christ, resting in disching on His word, that we may on this blessed work strong in and prepared so to live and walk they may "take knowledge give been with Jesus." President Hardie called the

cention to order, Rev. Dr. Herbert, of degion, leading the devotional exer-Convention joined in singing "The arming light is breaking," and the secrethen read the minutes of yesterday;

Syracuse; Howard E. Soule, d. Me.; W. P. Cromtee, Ontario; P. · incit mati; J. M. Towie, Raleigh; Tilden Colchester, Conn.

s .- H. P. Lloyd, Cincipnati: J. air, Washington, D. C.; L. S. Ed-Richmond, Va.: A. J. Dodamead, , S. C.: C. R. Holbrook, Manches-

e. Marion. Ala.; Robert A. Orr, W. S. Herbert, Hagerstown, ge E. Davis, Burlington, Vt.; T. Toronto, Ontario; H. H. Wells, Ecercises .- J. W. Wallace.

. G. : J. D. Blake, Rochester, Miun.; ore, Smerville, Mass; W. L. Pack, Texas: Fred. Von Schluembach, ore : James Gordon, Rienmond, Va. ;

of Executive Committee's Re-Russell Sturgis, Jr., Boston, Mass.; gussell, Ja ksonville, Ili. dutions .- F. D. Taylor, Detroit

Llaridge Mix, Orange, N. J.; F. unth, Indianapolis, Ind. ane Miller, " the Association sending greetings to the in Big tist Anniversaries now in ses-Plandelphia, the Presbyterian Genethe Evangelical Lutheran ieneral Assembly, were presented by

hev. Duncan McGregor, of Manchester, d, was unanimously elected an honothe platform amid loud applause. ir. Cephas Brainerd, of New York, chairthen read the report of the Executive

THERET OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, LO-

obsidility of local work as far as possieal organizations, and to act advisers and helpers. They had committees exhibiting ther energy and judgment, and prosecutor work with greater success, than in

committee has received reports from ing organizations: The Provinces The States of Alabama, Con- their treasurer, showing the receipt and dis-Georgia, Illinois, Indians, Iowa, boky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nebraska, New York, , New Hampshire, Ohio, Pena-

yivanti, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Ver- and providing for the following matters as it. Varginia, Wisconsincorresponding members as absoutial to success. Six of the State vincial committees already employ , who give their whole time to the trespondence, visitation, holding re years ago, at Albany, the Convention | general work e corresponding members to call and provincial conventions. During hast year seventuen were held, as follows: Hrmn-Book. faritume provinces of Ontario and Quebec, Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, In-"nnsylvania, Vermont, Virginia. At these, and conferences. associations were represented by 1,244

ate v - Connecticut, Maine, and New York that this year their ninth annual meeting. At all these seventeen conventions this Gen 221 Convention was represented either Hamourgh, Germany, next August.

benefits flowing from the visits of men of success has never been so strong as now. conventions will enjoy yet more of the pre- in their field.

DAILY DISPATCE.

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The committee had recognized the value of the press in circulating their facts and figures, and felt under especial obligations to the Illustrated Christian Weekly and the New York Mail. They suggest the employment of some competent person to devote HAN THE COMBINED CIRCULA- his whole time to the supply of fresh and interesting Association intelligence to leading

newspapers all over the country. The relations between our own associations and those in foreign lands have always been thoroughly fraternal; but never before has there been so much of intervisitation or a better intelligence of one another's work The seventh conference of the associations of all lands is appointed to meet at Hamburgh, Germany, on the 14th of August. This Convention is invited to accredit delegates representing the associations of North America, and your committee have been invited to prepare papers on the following members in a prominent city, and eight nontopics: 1. "What has been Accomplished by Young Men's Christian Associations? "The Christian and Social Importance of Young Men's Christian Associations." These papers are now in course of preparation.

The report acknowledges the courtesy of secretaries in furnishing reports from Great Britain, France, Germany, and Switzerland, giving detailed accounts of four hundred and twenty associations in Europe, and ask leave to embody reports which they are expecting from Holland and Belgium. In this connection it is interesting to note the fact that the committee has received a full report of a Young Meth's Christian Association organized by and among the Chinese of San Francisco. Mr. Loh Chee is president, Mr. Yam Ching is secretary. They number 250 members. They expend over \$300, and were organized in 1871. They hold two meetings each week, with an average attendance of 100.

We have also a report from Yokohama of an American association of 70 members organized the current year.

The conference of association secretaries just adjourned in Washington was regarded as making an era in the development of the work, and suggested two most important matters: 1. The demand for suitably qualified secretaries who will make it their lifeverse of some stirring hymn | work. 2. The paramount duty of local associations to put men in training who will ulf readarks, give variety, spice, and timately be able to meet these high require-

The Bureau of Education at Washington mentions the libraries of the associations as most important educational forces, and the committee urges an increase of the number of volumes in the libraries, and more careful statisties of the readers, and of the varieties or classes of books used by them.

The following topics are presented to the Convention for discussion as those most appropriate in the present stage of the

1. The work of the International Convention: 1. In the West. 2. In the South. 3. Among the Germans. 4. In other fields. II. The work of the Executive Commit-

ees of State and Provincial Conventions. III. How can Associations, especially in the large cities, reach all classes of young men? 1. Of the commercial and artison the associations as they appeared at Albany classes. 2. In colleges and educational institutions. 3. Railroad employés. 4. Destiture young men.

IV. Association Bible classes: 1. For tually report. evangelistic purposes. 2. For Christian workers. V. General evangelistic work: 1. Lay-

preaching-its importance, and the truining young men should have for it. 2. Prayermeetings-how to increase their usefulness and interest.

VI. Association lectures: Their prevailing abuses and proper objects; the availability of home talent.

The report quotes the resolution adopted at Dayton last year recommending the second Lord's day of November as a day of special prayer for God's blessing on the Association work, and renews the recommendation for the same observance this year.

The visitation work of the committee had een greatly enlarged, and the report speaks in very high terms of the work of Mr. Weindensall at the West, and that of Rev. E. Von Schluembach among the Germans of the country.

The most important enlargement of our work the past year has been in connection with the visitation by Messrs. T. K. Cree and G. A. Hall. This was undertaken by the committee at the request of the State committees of Virginia, Georgia, and Alabama. The tour lasted eighty days, closing on the 1st of May. It extended over 6,650 miles, puble volunteer visitors. through eight States, from Virginia to Texas. Thirty points, including all the leading cities of that section, were visited. A cordial welcome was everywhere extended. A blessed work of grace accompanied the labors of these gentlemen in most of the cities. They are here with Messrs. Weidensall and Von Schluembach to tell of the gracious providential guidance attending them in the blessed work to which the Lord has called

The enlargement of the work bad se greatly increased the correspondence and other work of the committee as to render an delegates, and referred to the Comaddition to their working force absolutely

The report earnestly commends the Association Hymn-Book, their life-certificates, and the following pamphlets, which they pub-

Suggestions as to the Organization and Work of Young Men's Christian Associa-

The Work of Young Men's Christian Asseciations in Small Towns; The Test of Membership in the Young

Men's Christian Association; The Work of the Corresponding Members of the Executive Committee; The Young Men's Christian Association As It Is-Its Field, Work, and Agencies;

Office Qualifications, and Work of the General Secretary. I. Office Qualifications, and Work of the General Secretary. II. Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Ontario, . The committee give a detailed report of

> bursement of \$9.805.32. The report closes as follows: The committee recommend the adoption by the Convention of resolutions approving of course be adequately reported.

coming year: the Executive Committee, the corresponding | tions are pressed upon the attention of Chrismembers, and other friends of the cause. The setting apart of the second Lord's day in November as a day of prayer, as hereto-

important for the prosecution of its work the

fore, with a recommendation that on that gan to die immediately after they were born . Volunteer assistants have been at work. day a collection be taken up in aid of the bas created an impression that our society is Distinct effort to promote the general introduction and use of the Association

Definite authority to the Executive Committee to invite prominent Association diana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Min- workers to represent this Convention in Sola, New Hampshire, New York, Ohio, State, provincial, and district conventions

Renewed efforts to secure the general gates. In two States-Virginia and adoption of the life-membership certificate wight-it was their first convention. prepared by order of the Convention some tour years since. The appointment of delegates to the Con-

ference of the Associations of All Lanus, in

such experience are too obvious to require A liberal contribution to the German Na- men who readily identify themselves with tions: comment, and it is hoped that in future the tional Bund for the maintenance of an agent the Association because they know what it 1. This Convention and its work were

The work of the past eight months was meetings, and thus brought to the attention.

The committee had neld during the year teer visitors in the field, untouched by the chiefly confined to Minnesola and Illinois; conferences as to the best means of prosecu- agencies just named, especially in the secur- but Iows and Wisconsin were also visited."

ting their work, and had found them very | ing of adequate representation of this Convention at the annual State and provincial

conferences. The employment of a competent assistant secretary, to the end that entire unity and harmony may be preserved in the conduct of the anticipations of those who witnessed the to the end that the information and experience which accumulate so rapidly may be made everywhere available through a prompt correspondence and through the newspapers, whose columns in every city are open

for the matter which we prepare. Authority to the present committee to complete its work by the publication of the proceedings of this Convention and the preparation of the papers for the Hamburgh conference.

The reorganization of the committee upon the following basis-viz.: Seven resident resident members representing various sections of the country. Five to be a quorum for the transaction of business. The following is a summary of the reports

of the associations for the current year: 536 have complied with the request of the committee, and furnished reports to this Convention; being 150 more than reported last year. This result has been secured by special effort in the collection of reports both by the central office and by the corresponding members It has also been ascer-

and 20 are German associations. 494 report an aggregate membership of 67,416. The annual current expenses reported by

tained that some of the associations formerly

on the roll have ceased to exist, and upon

the corrected roll we now have the names of

700 associations. 33 of these are in colleges,

326 amount to \$356.425. 90 persons are acting as general secretaries and agents of the various associations and the State and international committees. 252 keep open reading-rooms, and 156 of these report a daily attendance of 10.480.

190 own libraries, numbering 180,257 volumes, and of these 157 are valued at \$190,-56 have buildings valued at \$2,434,900.

On these there is a debt of \$700,750. Last

year there were 50 buildings. 42 have building funds amounting to \$390. 993. The aggregate of buildings and buildincrease of \$338,231 over last year-a clear building property of \$2,125,143.

95 provide situations, and of these 35 have found employment for 8,721 persons. 206 observed the day of prayer in Novem-

83 daily praver-meetings are be'd. 373 hold regular weekly prayer-meetings to the number of 635.

110 held 181 open air meetings per week. 717 other meetings, in juils, hospitals, school-hou-es, and elsewhere, have been held by 298 associations. 120 conduct a weekly Bible class, and 76

report an average weekly attendance of Your committee cannot close this report without stating in contrast the condition of

nine years ago and as they are now. Then, there were less than 80 associations, only 65 of which reported; now, 536 ac-

Tuen, 52 were represented in the Convention; now, over 200 are represented by their delegates.

Then, one building which cost \$10,000, and the beginnings of two or three funds; now, 56 buildings worth \$2,434,900, and 42 funds already amounting to \$390,993. In all, \$2,825,893 capital invested in our work. Then, nine general secretaries; now, 90 labors: are employed.

Then, nearly half the associations without the evangelical test; now, nearly all harmonious and united, exilting the Christian character of the organization. Then, no State conventions; now, seventeen State and provincial conventions, each

with its effective committee and six employing secretaries. Then, \$885 was raised for all the work prosecuted by affiliated societies; now, \$9,-805 for the General Executive Committee and \$19,336 by the State and provincial commit-

tees, aggregating \$29,141 for the work of the affiliated societies. Then, no general system of visitation now, two representatives of the General Committee (with three other gentlemen engaged for a portion of the year), the six State and provincial secretaries, and a host of ca-

Then, isolation, disorganization; now, concert of action, confidence, harmony in principles, and thorough ecoperation in ag-

All of which is respectfully submitted. CEPHAS BRAINERD, TIMOTHY G. SELLEW, JR., JAMES STOKES, JR., ROBERT R MCBURNEY, EDGAR A. HUTCHINS, BENJAMIN C. WETMORE VERRANUS MORSE, M. D.,

Executive Committee. Mr. Robert Weidensall, one of the general agents of the committee who has been working in the West, made a deeply interesting

report of his work: "This report includes a term of eight months, from the 1st of October, 1874, to the last of May, 1875.

"During this time I have travelled 6,850 miles, stopped in 54 cities and towns, visited 34 existing associations, some of them three or four times, most of them several times, and assisted personally in organizing or preparing the way to organize 16 new associa-tions, 11 of which I know to be actively engaged in the work they undertook to do. I have attended one State, one county, and two district conventions, and was present at the anniversaries of three associations. This varied work has embraced correspondence, personal interviews with the officers of the associations or with ministers and leading laymen, familiar talks with the active members alone or assembled together, taking the lead in some new feature of Christian work like street-preaching, cottage prayer-meetings, etc., public addresses, and Bible-readings. All the detail of this service cannot

" To build up the Association cause in th Northwest is a most difficult matter. On every hand churches are struggling to cancel The calling of two or more conferences of their indebtedness; many other organizatian men with indefatigable zeal. In addition to this, the multitude of extinct associations that were born in excitement and bebut a short-lived institution and makes no claim for permanent support. And last but not least, there is a considerable number of would be and bave no doubt, well-meaning friends of the Association that sail under its colors when it is popular, but when trial

comes persistently stand in the way of its healthy development. "Notwithstanding all these things there part of the true friends of our cause; for work. no other organization can take the place of An energetic prosecution of the work in business engagements to perform this service: H. Thane Miller, R. C. Morse, Verlee: H. Thane Miller, R. C.

the places he had visited, the difficulties he sympathy and fellowship uniting all the or- more men who can make eloquent speeches had encountered, and the work he had per- ganizations in one brotherhood was strength- on the platform concluding with that most formed,

this growing work, now extended far beyond in which he gave a sketch of the peculiar responding members in that section to with cloquence, and whose pockets bubble organization of the present committee, and the Germans, and a history of his work chusetts and New Hampshire-into copera- dead," and that which has no cash in it is the other chi.dren of the family which have outing hits, which brought down the house, was feeble. Messrs. R. K. Remington and no sort of sympathy with that spirit of jealfeet and sung with a will, " Praise God from sent at the Vermont convention last Octo- can't catch up by my slow pladding then I'll other hand, I concur with those who mainwhom all blessings flow"; after which Rev. ber. The State Committee then appointed take the express." He paid an eloquent tain just as firmly not only the right

blessing of the Lord among the Germans. Mr. Von Schluembach's report:

sented, and after mature deliberation a National Band of German Young Men's Chrising this organization we were greatly aided by Messrs. Cephas Brainerd and R. C. Morse, sylvania, Ontario, Massachusetts, New Hampof New York. The Convention bonored me shire, and Ohio, employ secretaries, and each with the position of general secretary, and, is organizing and carrying on a work having through aid afforded by the International Executive Committee, I have been enabled to tercourse and better knowledge of one andevote several months to the work of correspondence and visitation among these asso-

ciations. "Our plan of operation necessarily differs in some points from yours, because Ger- perative, and those most conversant with the mans here still retain many of their peculiar pational characteristics; and especially is the is indispensable to further development of alliance less close among their various denom- the associations in numbers and activity. inations than among the American churches. these local societies to band together into a an impulse to the cause. central Young Men's Christian Association in each city, which fosters the general cause, independent of sectarian work, and tries to the committee in Ontario, visiting Port

statement of his labors, and concluded as "Everywhere I was welcomed and cheered, and I came to the conclusion that God in His infinite love has at last opened a way by ing funds amounts to \$2,825.893, being an which we can properly unite the German Christians to work for the good of young

> "I cannot close this report without thanking the International Executive Committee most heartily, in the name of thousands of Germans, for enabling me to make this tour.

MR. GEORGE A. HALL,

ing account of the tour of Thomas K. Cree been transacted by him in the German lanand himself through the South. He drew a guage. vivid contrast between the cold reception with which such labors were received in the termined to know in this work no North, no the corresponding member for Indiana. South, no East, no West, but only to love and serve Jesus. He spoke of the warm tion all the associations not represented were hospitality which they had received every-promptly informed by letter of the action where in the South, and of the kindly spirit there taken, and were invited to cooperate in and able assistance of the southern press which taey had everywhere met.

The report of Messrs. Cree and Hall gives deeply interesting details of their visits in ing of reports, has been more extended than Virginia, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, Alabama, Louisiana, Texas, Tennessee, and lars, often repeated, reports have been se-North Carolina. They thus sum up their

held special meetings of one to four days in France, 13; from Japan, 1-total, 419. thirty-one cities. We found associations in sixteen cities, and organizations have since at least nine others. In some of the points visited organizations existed simply in name, but as a result of the visitation they have become active. In no case did we endeavor to tion has not been neglected. Twenty-nine organize during our stay, although in some instances committees were appointed with a previous-have been made by the secretary view of effecting an organization.

"In Augusta, Savannah, and other points, great revivals have followed the meetings, and the associations at these points have developed great spiritual activity, large numbers having been added to all the churches. Everywhere we were most cordially received, and by no class more kindly than by the opment. ministry. In every city we visited the churches were open to us, and almost the entire evangelical ministry attended and took part in our meetings, aiding us by word and deed. To this cause, second only to the manifest presence of the Holy Spirit, is largely to be attributed the success that attended our

"We found the secular and religious pres everywhere ready to help, and we availed ourselves of their columns, furnishing many articles which gave the details of Association work, enlarging upon its various agencies, and conveying information as to the mode of effecting an organization.

"Our mission was to stimulate and encourage personal effort for Christ by the lay- retaries, have also been attended in answer to men in the churches, and we usually presented this theme, thinking that lay activity would demonstrate the desirableness of the Christian Association as a successful organ- tions of Pennsylvania, Indiana, Connectiized agency for such activity. Upon all cut, Vermont, and Virginia. proper occasions, directly and indirectly, the work of the association was fully explained visitation and correspondence the pamphlets and enlarged upon. In all our meetings we published by the convention have been endeavored to give prominence to the Word, the presence of the Holy Spirit, and the power has been received of the good service to the of prayer, and the simple presentation of the cause thus rendered.

personal need of a personal Saviour. pressing the conviction that God has won- ciation As It Is" has been prepared and pubderfully blessed the seed sown, and has given lished. marked evidence of his guidance and direc- The report of the secretaries' conference tion in our work. He opened the hearts of was, at their request, prepared and issued Convention-pointed, practical, sensible, ministers and laymen of all denominations to from our office. beartily cooperate with us. The undertaking was conceived in prayer, the means for the Dayton convention the proceedings carrying it out were given in answer to were promptly published; and, owing to and by way of illustration gave a very vivid prayer, and every step in its progress was this circumstance, the demand for them was and deeply interesting sketch of a mission marked by united and importunate prayer, greater than in any previous year. Prepara- Bible-class of which he knew. Viewing the result that has followed the ef- tions have been made for an equally prompt fort we can only say, 'Not unto us, O Lord, publication of the report of this conven- of the sort, but it was privately learned that

quently interrupted with loud applause, and thousand pamphlets, and a score of written when he took his seat the Convention (at the letters (daily) have been issued from the office whom he can reach into his palatial resisuggestion of the President) united with of the secretary, in addition to the visitation Rev. E. Mix, of New Jersey, in a prayer of above reported, and yet the demand every thanksgiving for what they had just heard. month is for enlargement in every depart-R. C. Morse, general secretary of the Con- ment. vention, filed his annual report.

REPORT OF MR. RICHARD C. MORSE, GENERAL of Montgomery, Ala., the President an-

SECRETARY. The secretary had occupied much less time in personal visitation than during previous years, but had conducted a more extensive intercourse than ever by means of correspondence.

The Executive Committee had been represented at all of the State and provincial conventions by either one of us members or is no good reason for discouragement on the by some gentleman prominent in Association

The report gives a tabular statement of the Association, and the need of its work eighteen general conventions, the place of throughout the entire Northwest is lamenta- meeting and date of each, the number of as- then read an able, carefully prepared, and bly felt and generally acknowledged. More- sociations (282) represented, the number of very valuable paper, in which he gave most over, the associations are steadily growing, and are securing the cooperation of the best bers (389) who were present at these meet-Christian men and ministers. Several things have conspired to bring about this result.

The development of the associations in the East, the continued efforts of the International Executive Committee in organizing.

Ders (389) who were present at these meetings and the names of the following gentlesing and the names of the following gentlesing seven a sketch of the difficulties in his State as sketch of the difficulties in his State and how they had been met, and concluded by earnestly insisting that if they had been portance of preaching, made a distinction portance of preaching, made a distinction by earnestly insisting that if they had been portance of preaching, made a distinction able to succeed in his State the work could be traced for any organization.

In Morris, J. B. Archer, A. S. Pratt.

Georgia.—Augusta: William A. Branch,
The first part of the topic was opened in an excellent speech by Rev. E. Mix, of in an excellent speech by Ingugant, or by prominent members of the about the sum of twenty thousand dollars, having in view the following special conspired to bring about this result.

An increase in the annual income of the committee to the sum of twenty thousand ings, and the names of the following gentles in the following special committee to the sum of twenty thousand dollars, having in view the following special conspired to bring about this result.

s and what it can do.

"The work of the past eight months was meetings, and thus brought to the attention

He then gave deeply interesting details of | ternational gatherings. 2. The bond of | insisted that the great need of the Church is ened. 3. In the case of the New England eloquent of perorations, "Here is my check Rev. Frederick Von Schluembach was then conventions a special previous effort was for \$100," or more, as the case may be. There called out, and made a most effective address, made by communication with our cor- is a need of men whose hearts bubble up difficulties which environ the work among bring the strong Association States-Massa- with checks. A "faith without works is among his people. He made a number of tell- tion with neighboring States where the cause very deadest thing in the world. He had and when he concluded with the assurance H. M. Moore, of Massachusetts, and M. B. ousy of the laymen which some preachers that the work of the Lord was progressing Critchett and Allan Folger, of New Hamp- had; but he would say to the laymen, "If to their office in the Church and with ordiamong his people the Convention rose to its shire, generously responded, and were pre- you can get ahead of me just go on, and if I nances appointed by Christ. But, on the

Mr. Taggart led in thank-giving for the were informed and stimulated by these breth- tribute to the laymen. He had come to lay but the duty of every private member of ren, and a wouderful blessing has attended the hand of a Boston pastor on this work, The following extract gives the spirit of their visitation in Vermont. The chairman and to say, "Goit! and God go with you." of the State Committee writes thus, two "The first national convention of Ger- months ago: "October, 1874, not a warm man Young Men's Christian associations as- spot in Vermont. March, 1875, one thousand sembled at Baltimore, Md., October 22d to conversions." And since that time hundreds have been added to the number. 26th, 1874. Thirteen associations were repre-The general result of all the seventeen State and provincial conventions the past tian Associations was established. In effect- season is full of encouragement. Five of the committees of these conventions (Penn-

> excellencies peculiar to itself. Fraternal inother's work could not fail to be of great benefit in these leading States. In New York, New Jersey, Indiana, and Illinois the call for a State secretary is imwork there are persuaded that such an officer

After representing the committee at the Therefore we first try to influence the Convention of the Maritime Provinces Mr. German clergymen of a city, each one to or- H. Thane Miller visited the five leading ganize a Young Men's Christian Association cities of that section, and in each instance in his own church. Subsequently we request his words and works were blessed in giving at such times as they might find it con-

Rev. S. A. Taggart, the Pennsylvania secretary, performed a similar service for reach the outlying masses of German youth." Hope, Colbourg, Peterboro', Lindsay, and He then gives a deeply interesting detailed Whitby. The correspondence of the office has also

embraced the following important matters: (1). Arrangements for the tour of Messrs. T. K. Cree and G. A. Hall. The money necessary for the prosecution of this tour was received chiefly by written appeal to the friends of the cause. Its blessed results have made necessary an extensive and important correspondence with brethren seeking information about the associations and their work.

(2). Similar effort has accompanied and followed the tour among our German brethren by Rev. F. Von Schluembach, but the of Washington, then gave a deeply interest- greater portion of this correspondence has

(3). The conference of the committee and its corresponding members at Harrisburg, South five years ago and the warm greetings | January 26 and 27, was prepared for, and its and cordial cooperation with which they had results followed up by, a large correspondmet in their recent tour. He spoke most ence. A similar work in connection with feelingly of how the mea of the North and the similar conference at Fort Wayne, April South had come to love each other more as 6 and 7, was very kindly volunteered and they knew each other better, and as they de- admirably performed by Dr. L. W. Munhall, (4). Immediately after the Dayton conven-

the general work. (5). Finally, the correspondence relating to the calling of this convention, and the securin any previous year. By request and circucured from 520 associations on this continent, Reports have also been sought and secured "We had spent eighty-two days, travelled as follows: From Great Britain, 263; from almost 7,000 miles through eleven States, Germany, 104; from Switzerland, 39; from

These reports have all been carefully tabulated, with the names of the officers of each been, or, we think, will soon be, effected in association, and will appear in the appendix

But while the work of correspondence has thus been greatly enlarged, personal visitavisits-less than half the number of the year to twenty-seven different places, the most distant being Norwich, Vt.; Louisville, Ky.; and Richmond, Va. As many as three hundred persons, whose names and addresses are carefully preserved, have been conversed with personally about the Association, its general interests, and local claims and devel-

The report gives a list of the places and dates of the personal visits of the secretary, and concludes as follows :

In four instances, including Louisville, the visits were made in connection with a proposal to organize an association; and in every case but the last (only two weeks ago) an organization has resulted. Anniversaries of associations were attend-

ed in six places. The first of a series of district conventions in Maryland, at Frederick; a conference of the associations and Sunday schools in Burlington, N. J.; meetings of the State Committees of New York and New Jersey, and of the Executive Committee of the General Sec-

urgent invitation. Five visits were undertaken to attend, on behalf of the committee, the State conven-

Publication .- All along, the line of this liberally scattered, and abundant evidence

A new and enlarged edition of the pam-"We cannot close our report without ex- phiet "The Young Men's Christian Asso- mick, of Harrisburg, Pa. He begun his

Within a month from the adjournment of

not unto us, but unto Thy name give glory." tion.

In making his address Mr. Hall was free. As many as ten thousand circulars, five

After singing, and prayer by S. B. Brewer, nounced that the next topic for discussion

THE WORK OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES OF STATE AND PROVINCIAL CONVENTIONS."

Rev. Dr. Remington, of Massachusetts. opened the discussion by an excellent address, in which he detailed the work in New England, its difficulties and successes. Mr. M. B. Critchett, of New Hampshire, next made an address of interest, in which be set forth the work in the "old Granite

State."

H. H. Wells, general secretary, of Obio

After prayer by Rev. A. G. Byers,

Rev. Dr. R. Y. Swann, of Boston, made a
stirring speech on the relation of laymen to
the work of the Church. He rejoiced in the
which their labors had taught. He closed
the work of the Church.

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These addresses were all full of points of

gretted that there is not space for a full re-

port of them all. They were interspersed

A Richmond mother sent up a request for

special prayer for a wayward son, and the

" MARION, ALA., May 26, 1875.

"JAMES SHERBARD, President."

communication was read from Mayor

A. M. Keiley, president of the City School

Board, inviting the members of the Conven-

tion to visit the public schools of Richmond

A communication was received from the

pointed to secure an extra train to Wash-

The following telegram was read :

" MADISON, IND., May 26, 1875.

"LOUCKS & BLACK."

" RICHMOND, May 27, 1875.

"The International Convention of Young

Men's Christian Associations, now in ses-

sion, send fraternal greetings. Read First Thessalonians, 3d chapter, 12th and 13th

Afternoon Session.

The wisdom of having an afternoon ses-

question by the small attendance and the

tardiness with which most of those present

A short while after the appointed hour (4

devotional exercises, led by Rev. D. P. Wills,

The topic announced as first on the pro-

ASSOCIATION BIBLE CLASSES FOR CHRISTIAN

The discussion was opened by Rev. George

WORKERS."

Higue, of Toronto, who read an exceedingly

able paper. He urged as fundamental prin-

ciples that the members of such a class

should come with a full recognition of the

fact that this is God's word, with the teach-

ableness of little children, and with a full

recognition of the fact that Christ is the

The President earnestly urged the import-

ance of a sense of dependence on the Holy

Spirit. The discussion was further partici-

pated in by S. B. Brewer, of Alabama; A.

York, Pa.; George C. Needham, of Phila-

delpnia; A. G. Byers, of Columbus, Onio;

and E. P. Woods, of Lowell, Mass., and

Mr. McCormick did not intimate anything

the Bible-class alluded to was his own. He

has immense iron interests, and is accus-

tomed to gather his employes and others

dence that he may teach them God's Word,

lead them to Jesus, and put them to work

The discussion was further participated

in by Rev. F. Von Schluembach, of Bal i-

more; Rev. P. C. Prugh, of Cincinnati; W.

L. Seabrook ; and Rev. Dr. Nast, of Cincin-

nati ; and was one of more than ordinary in-

Night Session.

The church was crowded again to-night,

and after some very sweet singing the devo-

tional exercises were opened by Rev. A. C.

GENERAL EVANGELISTIC WORK.

training young men should have for it.

1. Lay preaching-its importance and the

2. Prayer-meetings-how to increase their

do more in the way of training their laymen

Convention adjourned to 8 o'clock.

The topic for the evening was

Bledsce, of Richmond.

After a number of announcements the

for Him among their fellows.

terest.

many valuable hints were brought out.

make a thorough preparation.

made to interpret Scripture.

ngton on Monday morning.

Y. M. C. A. Convention :

Church at Fort Wayne, lad.:

appeared.

of Richmond.

gramme was

cal hints:

tical questions.

Holy Spirit.

Convention united with Mr. McCormick in

"To the President of the International Con

bless you in convention. Matthew, v., 6.

"The Young Men's Christian Association

of Marion, Ala., earnestly pray that God will

The following telegram was read :

with some very sweet and appropriate songs.

uggestions.

vention:

venient.

prayer for this object.

ter of Rev. Dr. Stuart Robinson, of Kenucky: " For my own part, I concur fully with

those who maintain most earnestly the doctrine of the Church visible and organized as in essential element of the Gospel; that when souls are born again, they are born into the family of God with relation to the ward expression in the organized Church visible, with its ministry called by the Holy Ghost and solemnly set apart by ordination the Church unofficially to press Christ and His salvation upon sinners whenever and wherever such sinner can be got to listen sylvania, continued the discussion of "State to the invitation. And if a private Christian work," and made a sensible, practical, earn | may thus tell one, he may tell five or ten in est address, which contained many valuable the Sunday-school and Bible-class. He may, by parity of reasoning, tell ten thousand i be can get the ear of so many. Not only is interest to Association workers, and it is re- the Bride the Lamb's wife through her official ministers and stated ordinances to say 'Come,' but 'let him that heareth say come.' There is the commission of every private Christian to preach. 'Restore unto me the joys of Thy salvation, then will I teach transgressors Thy way.'

"I take a new-lound interest in the Young Men's Christian Association, as at present organized, chiefly because I understand its work to be ever with an eye single to saving sinners. Your lay preaching and lay evangelism is, if I understand, of the same type with that of Moody and Sankey. Its mission is not to churches as such-therefore it seeks public halls rather than churches-but the vast masses of people outside the organized churches it seeks with the united aid of all evangelical churches to go outside to these masses under the broad commission to private Christians, 'him that neareth say Come."

Rev. H. C. Moore, of Massachusetts, made most effective talk on prayer-meetings, authorities of the Richmond and Danville which he regarded as the thermometers of railroad inviting the Convention to take an the Church. He insisted that their grand excursion by their road to the granite quarobject was to bring together and hold as ries. These invitations were referred to the many as possible, and then bring them to Christ. He gave some deeply interesting Committee on Business.
The Committee on Resolutions reported hints for conducting prayer-meetings, and one to the effect that a committee be apmade a speech of great power and effect.

Robert Weidensall, general agent for the The Committee on Devotional Exercises West, closed the discussion with earnest fivereported a series of out-door and other exminute talks. ercises for yesterday evening, and the fol-The President then introduced in a few lowing for this morning : At 62 o'clock, in well-chosen words econd Biptist church, Bible-readings for

J. B. Morrow, of Halifax, N. S., and Rev.

REV. H. M'GREGOR, Christian workers, by Rev. George Necdof Manchester, England, representative of ham, "the Irish evangelist." Devotional exercises at same place from 9 the associations of Great Britain. Mr. McGregor made an exceedingly able, to 10 A. M.; to all of which the public are cordially invited.

witty, and effective speech, of which it is regretted the want of space precludes any report. He gave a very interesting account of the labors of Moody and Sankey in England, and spoke in eloquent strain of the "Greeting from Madison Y. M. C. A .power of the gospel in binding together the Over 200 conversions. The work continues. most diversified interests and the most distant sections. Mr. McGregor was frequently The Business Committee submitted the following me-sage, which was ordered to be interrupted by loud applause, and was compelled to "go on" by the calls of the Conelegraphed to the Baptist Convention in session at Philadelphia; the General Assemblies vention. When he took his seat, and the of the Presbyterian Church North, at Cleve- Convention rose and sang "Blest be the land, and of the Presbyterian Church South, Tie," while the President clasped his hand at St. Louis; the General Assembly of the Evangencial Lutheran Church, at Baltimore, the scene was grandly inspiring, and the and the General Synod of the Reformed Indeed, the meeting last night was con-

idered one of very great power. The following telegram was then read: " PHILADELPHIA, PA., May 26, 1875. "President International Convention Young

Men's Christian Associations: "Health with other circumstances deprive me of the anticipated privilege of meeting with you. May the presence of the Master bind the hearts of all sections in an everlasting sion at all was very seriously brought into covenant of peace and renewed consecration for service. Wanamaker cables ten Moody meetings last Sabbath. Town greatly moved. Interest increasing. Remember Moody and

Sankey in your prayers. 'clock) the Convention was opened with "GEORGE H. STUART." In accordance with the request Rev. Dr. T. D. Witherspoon, of Petersburg, led the Convention in special prayer for Moody and

After the meeting adjourned the congregation remained for some time engaged in

Programme for To-Day. The morning session, at 10 A. M., will be for delegates only, and as business of great importance is to come up, every delegate

will be expected to be present.

At 4 P. M. the third topic will grand central truth of both the Ora and New sidered, and the third section (railroad em-Testament. He gave the following practiployé-) will be introduced by W. R. Davenport, of Pennsylvania, and A. W. Stager, of 1. All should be leaders and all should At 5 P. M. the work in colleges, &c., will 2. There should be, if possible, at least be opened by S. A. Steele, of Virginia,

one who understood the original Scriptures. At 8 P. M., commercial and artisan classes 3. Scripture should be compared with and to be introduced by J. B. Morrill, of Halifax, and M. K. Jesup, of New York. 4. Such classes should only discuss prac-At 9:30, "Destitute Young Men" will be spoken upon by H. P. Adams, of Maryland. 5. Above all, there should be constant At 9. Rev. Mr. Byers, of Ohio, will speak prayer for the enlightening influence of the upon " Commercial Classes."

Adjourn at 9:30 P. M. Pastors who desire their pulpits filled on Sunday by members of the Convention are requested to send in their requests to the committee, in the basement of the Second N. Carpenter, of Chicago; D. E. Small, of Baptist church, by 10 o'clock to-day.

Open-Air Meetings Y. M. C. A. To-Day

at 6 1.4 P. M. CORNER SEVENTH AND BROAD STREETS .- F L. Smith, W. C. Sibley, J. D. Blake. BYRD ISLAND, CORNER EIGHTH AND BYRD STREETS. - U. B. Critchett, O. R. Stockwell

Orr. CORNER OF NINTH AND GRACE, WEST SIDE OF CAPITOL SQUARE.-George W. Cobb, S. A. portance of imparting Bible truth and knowledge to the very lowest classes of society,

LIBBY HILL .-- E. P. Woods, D. J. Pike

from 9 to 10 A. M., especially devoted to prayer for the young men of Richmond. BIBLE READING at Grace-Street Presbyterian church at 61 P. M. by George C. Needham. Subject: "The Blood."

Y. M. C. A.

Selma: S. T. Hobbs, H. H. Stewart, Joseph Hardie. Talledega: R. H. Isbell. Connecticut.-Colchester : Samuel D. Tilden. Goshen: Rev. T. A. Hazen. Mystic Bridge: Rev. Theodore L. Gardner. New Haven: John E. Durand, Samuel C. Johnston. Waterbury : John Blair. West Meriden : J. R. Sutliff, W. E. Benham, W. R. Dean.

sity: Robert T. Wheeler. Washington: F. H. Smith, Elphonzo Youngs, Alfred Wood, J. R. Imbrie, Alexander Bielaski, William H. Morris, J. B. Archer, A. S. Pratt.

Illinois.—Aurora: K. A. Burnell, D. J. Pike. Chicago: W. J. Weeber, J. M. Hitch-cock, W. W. Vanarsdale, R. N. Vanarsdale,

A. N. Carpenter, S. A. Kean, C. G. Wheeler. Jacksonville: Robert D. Russell. Peoria:

was the next topic announced, and its discussion was introduced by James McCor-S. A. Kean. remarks by the frank declaration that he had CORNER SEVENTEENTH AND CARY STREETS. something to say which he wanted all to K. A. Burnell, George R. Stuart, James P. hear, and made one of the speeches of the earnest, and touching. He urged the im-

Taggart, M. H. Lane. EIGHTH STREET BETWEEN MAIN AND CARY .--D. A. Sinclair, - McCormick, James McConaughy.

F. T. Lockbart. DEVOTIONAL MEETING at Second Church

Delegates International Convention

Alabama .- Marion : C. W. Lovelace, A M. Fowlkes. Montgomery: S. B. Brewer.

Colorado .- Boulder : J. C. Pratt. District of Columbia .- Howard Univer-

James Waterhouse. Indiana. — Aurora: Rev. Charles Tinsley.
Indianapolis: W. M. D. Hail, Frank I. Smith,
Leroy W. Braden, John D. Basil, L. W.
Munball. Lebanon: Samuel I. Hamilton,

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